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# GOODS UNDERVALUED.

Importer Richardson So Testifies to the Commission.

Inspector Wiswell Accused of Sus-

picious Performances.

Goods Declared Damaged Found to Be Perfectly Good.

The customs investigation went on again this morning at the Barge Office. Ex-Secretary Fairchild has not yet reusual, and his colleagues, Mr. Dunn and Mr. Macfarlane, were present.

The Commission had at last secured as a witness Briton Richardson, Secretary of the Silk Association, and he was put on the stand at the opening of the

put on the stand at the opening of the hearing.

Mr. Richardson stated that he had been changed in the silk business for about forty years. He had read the charges printed in the Dry-Goods Chronicle, and that he had a number of documents and correspondence relating to the alleged undervaluations of Japahese silks by J. R. Simon & Co.

The increase in the kaportations of these goods, he said, began to attract attention in the Sring of 1891 of all the merchants in the trade, as well as the low price at which they were sold by J. R. Simon & Co.

Mr. Richardson had figured out that from Jan. 1 to July 1, 1891, their firm had imported 18,000 dozen silk handker-chiefs, which was a tremendous increase over their former importations.

As showing how this had affected traite the witness read a letter from a Chicago salesman inclosing a sample of one of these handkerchiefs, which, he said, were selling there at \$3.50 a dozen. This, he said, had demoralized the trade there. In May Mr. Richardson said he visited Assistant Appraiser Corbett, at the Public Stores, and called his attention to these facts. President Chency, of the Silk Association, was with him.

They saw the goods, and while they were in conversation Examiner Wiswell Came in.

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were in conversation Examiner Wiswell came in.

"Wiswell asked if we had seen the Japanese Fan Company's goods, and when we said we had not Mr. Corbett asked him to go out and get a sample.

"He was gone so long," said the witness, "that we stepped out into the next room to see what had become of him. He had a piece of silk goods before him on the table, and he cut a strip off which he gave us as a sample of the Fan Company's goods."

It was found afterwards that this was not a sample of the Fan Company's goods, but from some other involce.

When questioned about the Simon involces, Wiswell said that the goods that had been valued so low were damaged.

"We asked to see these goods," said

After this Wiswell was suspended, and an investigation was made by Special Agent McCoy. Mr. Richardson said that McCoy avoided him while he was in New York making the investigation, and the witness said he had been informed that McCoy was an old chum of Wiswell's, which explained the favorable report made by McCoy in the case.

Mr. Richardson then produced some correspondence between New York merchants and their agents in China and Japan, in which the latter called attention to the heavy shipments of slik goods from those countries to the firm of J. R. Simon & Co., in which the goods were entered at a very low price, were entered at a very low price, was incercagated to day before Judge McAdam, of the Superior Court, in her suit for absolute divorce from John R. Rogers.

They were married in May, 1882, at Mount Vernon, N. Y. The suit has not yet been on the chiendar for trial, but as Milmile is going abroad her testimony was needed in order that her absence

entered at a very low price.

In one of these letters it was charged specifically that the goods were being undervalued in the invoices, as the prices declared were very much lower than those at which the goods could be bought at wholesale in any part of China or Japan.

It was said that letters were frequently sent with these invoices by merchants in the foreign ports stating that the goods had been sold to the importing firm at less than the market price because they were damaged.

Often these letters came from the United States Consul's office at the port of shipment, and in this way the soods were passed at the invoice price when they reached the United States

Mr. Magone asked if the witness thought that Consuls would practise such deceptions knowingly.

No. 1 don't think they would. But they might be easily deceived by representations made to them by native merchants."

resentations made to them by native merchants."

Mr Richardson said that hundreds of bales of raw silk came in at San Francisco, which were passed without any inspection at all.

"We don't know but that they pack thousands of dosens of handkerchiefs in those bales, and that no duty whatever is paid on them."

The witness said that these bales of raw silk, which come in free of duty, were never examined when they arrived in the East, but were delivered to the merchants at once, and although a very sharp lookout was kept for frauds of this kind it was very difficult to discover them. He said the same merchants imported raw silk and manufactured goods.

"When you run up against such facts as these," said the witness, "it doesn't lake an intelligent man very long to

"Wh.n you run up against such facts; these," said the witness, "it doesn't ke an intelligent man very long to me to the conclusion that there have 'en gross undervaluations."

Mr. Richardson thought the administration of the Customs was lax in every ay. Goods were usually entered in the invoice in the name of some clerk other irresponsible person.

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With regard to the procuring of the sample of the Japanese slik obtained by the witness at the public stores he stated that the goods were very fine and well made, and wondered how it could ever hav, been imported at the price named in the invoice.

"Do you think Wiswell was a competent examiner in the slik department?" asked Mr. Magene.

"Perfectly so, I do not think he erred through ignorance by any means."

"Do you know of any panic that occurred in the slik market in Japan during the Pall of 1890, when prices went wery low?"

ments with the Commissioners, and promised to give any further information that they might need.

Assistant Appraiser Corbett, who was present, was the first witness. He had prepared a long statement, in which he backed up by many figures and comparisons the report that he had given to Appriaser Cooper that J. R. Simon & Co. s. Invoices of silks had been undervalued from 10 to 30 per cent.

He said that in concequence of many complaints, made by merchants and importers, that the low-priced goods on the market had been traced to J. R. Simon & Co. He had carefully gone over the invoices of this firm, and by a comparison with invoices of other importers of the same class of goods he found, he said, that Simon & Co. in the invoice of this firm, and by a comparison with invoices of other importers of the same class of goods he found, he said, that Simon & Co. in the invoice of this firm, and by a comparison with invoices of other importers of the same class of goods he found, he said, that Simon & Co. in the found, he said, that Simon & Co. in the comparison he had examined a great many more of these invoices, and the results of the comparison he had examined a great many more of these invoices, and the results of the comparison he had scheduled To compari

The report was submitted to the Commission.

The under valuations of Simons & Co. as compared with the invoice prices of other firms importing the same class of goods, was shown by the figures supmitted to range from 5 to 25 per cent., and involved a loss of many thousands of dollars to the Government. The total loss was estimated at \$10,735.72 on all the invoices examined.

Mr. Corbett said he was not aware of these discrepencies until he went ever the invoices of Simon & Co., and compared them with others after Examiner Wiswell had been suspended.

Mr. Corbett was then examined in regard to the methods of doing business in his division.

### THE FORD'S THEATRE INQUEST.

Coroner Patterson Takes It Up-Small Attendance and No Sensation. WASHINGTON, June 15 .- In accord-

WASHINGTON, June 15.—In accordance with the decision of Chief Justice Hingham yesterday, Dr. Patterson, the Coroner of the District, began a new inquest this morning over the remains of the victims of Friday's disaster.

There was a smaller attendance than on previous days at Willard's Hall, where the inquest was held, because most of Col. Ainsworth's uninjured subordinates were at their desks in the new quarters secured for them.

Interest in the session of this morning centered in the belief that Col. Alinsworth would be present to insist that he had a right to appear, but the crowd was disappointed. R. Ross Perry, Col. Ainsworth's attorney, whose attempt to address the Deputy Coroner during the session on Monday, precipitated the outbreak against his client, was in the hail a few minutes before the inquest began, but he withdrew before Coroner Patterson rapped the jury to order.

The proceedings were devoid of sensational character, the evidence being directed exclusively to ascertaining the cause of the building's collapse.

EULALIE RETURNS TO-MORROW.

She Will Be Incog, as the Duchess

de Mentpensier. "Duchess de Montpensier" is the title by which the Infanta Eulalia will be

Chicago to-morrow. The Princess will be the guest of Mr. Juan M. Ceballos, at his home, 28 East When questioned about the Simon invoices, Wiswell said that the goods that ind been valued so low were damaged.

"We asked to see these goods," said Mr. Richardson, "and when the case was opened we found that there was no damage at all. Afterwards more cases were ordered into the Public Stores at our request by Assistant Appraiser Corbett. All were the goods of Simon & Co., including seven invoices or forty-two cases. Only a few of these cases had been examined by Wiswell, and in only two cases were they damaged to any extent."

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absolute divorce from John R. Rogers, the sent in to Mrs. Straiton when her husband

absolute divorce from John R. Rogers, the actor and manager.
They were married in May, 1882, at Mount Vernon, N. Y. The suit has not yet been on the chlendar for trial, but as Minnie is going abroad her testimony was needed in order that her absence should not delay the trial.
The actress simply testified as to her marriage, and stated that she had not condoned any of her husband's offenses, Minnie's costume was very pronounced. She wore a black skirt, light blue slik waist, a black velvet Eton jacket, and a large, stylishly trimmed straw sailor hat, with a white veil.
Her attire was completed with a fancy light yellow leather girdle, and she wore immense diamond earrings.

### EX-MINISTER PHELPS ARRIVES. A Passenger on the Steamer Spree from Bremen.

William Walter Phelps, late United family were passengers on the North German Lloyd steamer Spree, from Bre-men this morning.

Among the other passengers were Herr Graf von Blucher, J. Ferry, artist; also Carlo Wuttke, both from Munich; Bishop Leo Hard, of North Carolina; Herr Wuki and Dr. Emil Schmidt, both of St. Petersburg.

### CHILD FALLS THREE FLOORS.

He Struck a Clothes Line and Was

Picked Up Quite Unhurt.

Four of Them Killed Outright and Two Others May Die.

ment has been caused by the deappeal of Charles de Lesseps and the connection with the Panama Canal Comcision to-day, quashing the sentences on covered the offenses charged, and that were tried was irregular.

Eiffel was at once liberated from prison. Louis Hospital, suffering with an acute attack of dyspepsia, was informed that he was at liberty, but he was too ill to

# SHUT HIS WIFE IN A ROOM

Peculiar Allegations Against a Wealthy Citizen of Brooklyn.

Mrs. Straiton Said to Have Been Nearly Starved.

Police Capt. McKelvey, of the DeKath ivenue station, Brooklyn, to-day made a special report to Supt. Campbell, of a remark. tion by people living in Gates avenue near

irand avenue. Htories have been affort that a woman was kept in a large three-story house at 134 The address given is the residence of Eli-

phales Straiton. The police investigated the matter, and Capt. McKelvey in his report today said the story was true.

Detective Delehanty learned that food was

Mr. Straiton is eighty-two years old, and is

said to be quite wealthy.

Four years ago he married a poor dressmaker. He was then a widower.

Detective Delehanty called at the house last night, and after some trouble saw Mrs. Straiton, and he reported that she confirmed the story told ber by the neighbors.

She is now about thirty-five years old. She The police will consult Police Justice Hag-

# NOT YET OUT OF DANGER.

Broker Henriques Still Suffers from

Dr. Wyncoop called this morning at the bome of Broker William H. Henriques, and when seen later by an "Evening World" reporter said he had found his patient in a precarious con-dition and by no means out of danger. The

Dr. McHurney for the family, were called into naultation last evening with Dr. Wyncoop,
They indorsed Dr. Wyncoop's opinion that

Jennings conducted the direct examina-

his parents at 675 Henry street, Brooklyn, fell out of the third-story window to-day and escaped with a slight cut on the left hand.

His mother was preparing dinner when she was clarified by a scream, and as she turned she saw her son disappear out of the window.

She ran to the yard, expecting to find him dead, but the little fellow was sitting on a board, apparently so much frightened that he did not know whether to laugh or cry.

In descending from the window, he struck a clothes-line, which broke the force of the fall, and saved his life.

SIX BROTHERS HIT BY LIGHTNING

Four of Them Killed Outricht and

More Land for the University. The New York Skin and Cancer Hospital to-day obtained leave from Supreme Court

floral offerings this morning, and appeared in excellent spirits, despite the seeming disheartening significance of yesterday's proceedings, when the Justices decided tentatively to admit the Government's testimony concerning the

Preliminary evidence was introduced this morning under objections and exceptions.

Charles H. Lawton, druggist, testified that he knew of no other than medi-

said it was unsuitable for cleansing furs and very volatile, while Dr. Dolan said that its vapor was very poisonous. Prussic Acid Evidence Rejected. After consultation, the Justices, at

and excluded the evidence of attempted Ager the introduction of exhibits, at

During the recess the prisoner talked just before 11 o'clock. Noon recess. ton, the first lady who has spoken to her in the court-room.

The Defeuse Opens.

At 10.30 the jury filed into their places ready to begin the presentation of their came their spokesman. He said:

personal friend, and I had known him loes not cease ever to be a man.

were only equalled by the time and place of the murders. I don't propose to go into detail about the character of ter of one of the victims. Up to that time she was of spotless character and reputation, and had moved in and out of that house for twenty-one years, with

her mother and father and sister. woman led a spotles life, was interest-

some one to be punished for such a crime, but we want the guilty punished. not the innocent." The prisoner sat with her face buried

in her handkerchief during her counsel's plea.
After distinguishing circumstantial

from direct evidence, and illustrating the dangerous character of circumstantial evidence, Mr. Jennings said every link in the Government's chain of evidence must be proved beyond a reasonexclusive opportunity and intent.

had not been connected with the defendant. Evidence of exclusive opporthat other people were around at the the barn before the officer who testidition and by no means out of danger. The the barn before the officer who testifainting spells were less frequent, he said, fled that its floor was covered with but Mr. Heuriques atill suffered from vertigo dust, and that the burned dress was and the crisis was not yet past.

Dr. Peabedy, for District Attorney Nicoll, and on the day of the murder.

Mr. Jennings closed his address at 11.30

Broker Henriques was not out of danger.

Mrs. Neame, the broker's daughter, called again on Supt. Byrnes yesterday and said she feared assault by Ellison if he was given his liberty. There was a rumor which could not be verified that Ellison had sent her a threatpaing letter from his coll.

NOW IT'S THE DUKE'S TURN.



One Good Free Lunch Deserves Another.

Roof Near the Borden House. FALL RIVER, Mass., June 15.-Last Potter, clerk in the Fall River Water found a hatchet on the top of John

the rear of the Borden property. Mr. Potter this morning reported his find to the police, and also sought an out was unable to find Mr. Jennings. He

hatchet was at one time used as an

# THREE YOUNG BURGLARS CAUGHT

They Were Breaking Into a Grocery on Sixth Avenue.

Policeman Gilmartin, of the Mercer street olice, captured three young burglars early this morning. They were attempting to break into John

D. Corden's grocery store at 130 Sixth avenue and had already burst in a pasel with a Gilmartin caught one of the men while the others dashed up the avenue.
Gilmartin pulled his revolver and caused

Murphy, to whom he handed over his pris-Gilmartin threatened to shoot, and one of

The defense would show relations between the father and daughter which excluded a motive for her killing him, and the motive to kill the mother alone would not be enough, for the Government claimed that the same person killed both.

Mr. Jennings claimed that the weapon had not been connected with the de-

### BABE'S BODY IN A CLOSET. Possible Case of Infanticide Discovered in a Tenement.

Evidence of a possible case of in-fanticide was discovered this morning in the tenement-house 226 East Forty-The body of an infant, one day old.

was found in a closet. It was taken to ger. The extent of her injuries is not the Morgue.

brothers were standing under a tree near their justice Ingraham to sell fifteen acres of land bome yesterday when lightning killed four of them outright and injured the other two so they may dis.

\*\*The six Wright to-day obtained leave from Supreme Court of lock on the night before the murbolock of the University of the City of New York, to the University of the City of New York, to the University's representative.

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# MONMOUTH IN COLLISION, CLEARING-HOUSE MEETING.

Ban Into a Tramp Steamship The Committee in Session To-Down the Bay.

The City of Richmond has give feet of water in her hold. She is resting on the bottom, and is in no immediate dan. Mr. Vyner's Marc'on Wins the Gold yet known.

Heavy For Over the Bay and Important Developments Are Ex-

Day Behind Closed Doors.

### ASCOT HEATH RACING.

Cup. Isinglass Not a Starter. LONDON, June 15.-This was the third day

and Mary A. Durfee was called. Mr.
Jennings conducted the direct examination.

The witness, Durfee, not being ready when called, Martha Chagamon was put the color of the Burden of the Coroner has been notified.

BURRED TO DEATH.

Surfee was a few more and the direction of the Burden of the Burden of the Coroner has been notified.

In a noise like the pounding on wood in the direction of the Burden of the

# EIGHT PAGES. HIS LIFE NOW SAFE.

The Prosecution Closes in George McKenzie's Trial.

Testimony that the Prisoner Was

Stabbed and Bruised.

A Verdict of Murder in the Second

year-old boy who is charged with killing bis ing him from the roof of their house, 53 Washington street, into an airshaft in which he was dashed continued before Judge Pitzgerald, in Part IL of the Court of General Sessions, to-day. Detective Arthur A. Carey, of McLaughing. staff, continued his testimony on cross-ex-amination by James McLaughlin.

On the direct examination by Assistant District-Attorney Thomas J. Bradley, Carcy related that he arrested McKenzie at the Polo Grounds, where he was selling score cards, on Sept. 2, 1892, and that when arrested McKenzie told him when arrested McKenzie told him that if he would go to the Salvation Army Barracks with him he would make a written contession, and that while they were on the way to the police court McKenzie said:

"Fit tell you all about this thing. Quill and I were friends. I went up on the roof that day, Feb. 10. Henry came up. He had been drinking. He had a jack-knile, and he said, 'I stick this in you it will kill you.' I said, 'You are not man enough.' Then he stabled me in the back of the neck and in the arm and knocked me down.

"I got up, and he came at me again, and I pushed him way. I don't know whether I pushed him into the sir-shaft or whether he stumbled and fell in."

Mr. McLaughlin tried to find out why Carey had not testified like this before the Coroler, but carey said he had not been saked.

The cross-examiner tried to show that the trial of McKenzie had been put off to nearly a year because the prosecution had no chea against the boy, and that Carey was testifying to more than the truth, but he failed.

Detective-sergeant John Killites, of the Central Officetestifies that young McKenzie told to him practically the same story of the affray with Quill that Detective Carey relates.

"McKenzie said that 'Henny' was whitting."

The twin-screw steamboat Monmouth, of the Sandy Hook line, which was towed into the Central Rallroad basin at Communitation of the Sandy thing, which was communitated to the control of the Communitation of the Sandy Hook line, which was communitated to the Associated Banks of towed into the Central Rallroad basin at this city is being held to-day behind conscience-stricken. He had joined the Sandy wation Army, and he wanted to tell the truth and have the whole thing off his conscience.

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Ellen McKenzle, the mather of the pris-oner, testified next that her boy came into the house one day in February. His face was bruised and his neck and arm were cut. He said he had had trouble with a boy and the boy had cut bim. Robert McKenzle, a brother of the prisoner, testified to the quiet, peaceful disposition of George, and a recess was taken.

# MORE FRAUDS ALLEGED.

Foreign-Made Bags Said to Get in